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Israeli artillery pounded Palestinian positions in southern Lebanon for the fourth straight day yesterday and Israeli and Syrian combat aircraft overflew Beirut. Jerusalem radio reports this morning that a UN-mediated cease-fire between Israeli and Palestinian forces took effect shortly before midnight last night. The clandestine Voice of Lebanon reports, however, that the unofficial cease-fire was broken for about an hour early this morning when Israeli artillery and gunboats exchanged gunfire with Palestinian forces. Meanwhile, the UN Security Council meets today to discuss the situation in southern Lebanon.	25X1

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International

According to the US Embassy in Stockholm, a summit meeting of the Socialist International will be held in Sweden 19 to 21 July. A Stockholm newspaper says West German Chancellor Schmidt, British Prime Minister Callaghan, Austrian Chancellor Kreisky and other leaders of Socialist and Social Democratic parties from France, Spain, and all the Nordic countries will attend. Former Swedish Prime Minister Palme, engaged in a tough election campaign, will host the meeting. The party leaders reportedly will discuss developments in Indochina, the elections for the European Parliament, Cyprus, Latin America, and the Polisario Front.

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Argentine union sources told US Embassy officials in Buenos Aires yesterday that eight of the 20 labor leaders arrested earlier this week were released Tuesday night. A provisional "emergency" committee representing the unions whose leaders were arrested ratified the "national day of protest" for Friday; the rival National Labor Commission continues to oppose the strike. The government, meanwhile, announced a 19-percent wage increase for May, 15 percent more than originally planned.

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Liberia

Liberian Foreign Minister Dennis yesterday informed the US Ambassador that he plans to leave on an unannounced trip to the US on Friday. Dennis will bring a personal letter from Liberian President Tolbert to President Carter and will also make himself available for discussions with US officials.

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